## PRESIDENT'S ADVISORY BOARD ON FEDERAL TAX REFORM Great Lakes Geotechnical Services

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To: The President's Advisory Panel on Federal Tax Reform

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From: Tom Crandell

Date: 2/14/2005

Re: Fair Tax Act of 2005, HR25 and S25

## To Whom It May Concern:

I've read your website and noted the Presidents guidelines to you for tax reform. The Fair Tax Act addresses them all.

- It dramatically reduces, for all W-2 filers, the costs and administrative burdens of our current tax code, estimated at \$500 BILLION per year! What a nice infusion of capital there huh?
- It is infinitely fairer than the current code, closing tax loopholes and closing the hidden "cash business" loophole that allows for tax evasion, (which in effect inflates tax costs on those who play fair). The more you make, the more you buy, right? The less you make, the less you buy. Under Fair Tax then, higher income brackets would pay more taxes. Sounds progressive to me.
- Would do more too foster homeownership than the current mortgage deduction ever has. Only 30% of filers itemize, and they are in the higher income brackets obviously, so THAT provision of the current code does little to foster homeownership in lower and middle income earners. Let all W-2 filers keep their whole paychecks (excluding state taxes) and see what that does to encourage ownership.
- As Americans earnings increase so do their charitable contributions. Again, the charitable contribution deduction only applies to those who itemize. But evidence shows, the motivation to donate comes not from a potential tax deduction, but rather is a function of disposable income and the American

spirit of giving. Give us more disposable income and you will see contributions increase.

• Want to create jobs? Good paying jobs? Promote long term economic growth? Encourage savings and investments? Increase the competitiveness of the United States in the global marketplace? The President has asked for all of this. Fair Tax is the only solution. Tinkering with the current code will only add a few more pages and compliance costs. Scrap it and replace it with HR25/S25.

The only problem with Fair Tax is it isn't revenue neutral. It is revenue positive!!! Many experts predict we will, quite likely, insulate the USA from future recessions by becoming a tax haven for the rest of the worlds' manufacturers (creating good paying "real" jobs) and free us citizens from the current debacle referred to as a "progressive" tax system (increasing consumer disposable income, thereby fueling the engine of consumer spending, which ALL admit drives our economy).

Thank you for your time and consideration. Please don't let us down.

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RE: Federal Tax Reform

Dear Mr. Kaizen

This letter is in response to the Department of the Treasury Notice 4810-25 regarding the Public Meeting of the President's Advisory Panel on Federal Tax Reform scheduled for February 16th, 2005 at 10AM, which was established by President Bush via Executive Order 13369 dated January 7th, 2005.

As a recent Victim of 5th Amendment violations, I have unfortunately experienced the highest levels of IRS & Judicial misapplications of our present tax laws. As an interested party, I believe the only logical answer in stopping this nightmare for all other Americans is for our government to seriously consider federal tax reform so that deprivation of property without due process may someday be a thing of the past. I am aware that:

- 1. This meeting is the first in a series of public meetings that the panel will hold before it submits its final report by July 31, 2005 and that;
- 2. Details, lists of witnesses, and the public will be provided additional opportunities to submit comments regarding issues of tax reform at later dates.

I respectfully request the opportunity to be part of this historical event by providing undisputable evidence and possibly be a witness before the President's Advisory Panel on Federal Tax Reform in support of federal tax reform.

Sincerely,

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